ORDINANCE NO. 629

AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING INSTALLATION OF BACK FLOW PREVENTION DEVICES.

WHEREAS, the City of Las Animas has heretofore passed a "Cross Connection" Ordinance which applies to plumbing within the City of Las Animas and is designed to prevent back flow of contaminated water into the City's water supply; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of said Ordinance is to ensure the wholesomeness and purity of the City's water system; and

WHEREAS, if back flow devices are not properly installed, contaminated water may back up in to the City's otherwise uncontaminated water system, thereby causing a threat to citizens of the City of Las Animas as they consume water; and

WHEREAS, the City of Las Animas is desirous of ensuring that back flow prevention devices are properly installed.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAS ANIMAS, COLORADO:

SECTION 1. That a new Section 16-6.1 is enacted as follows:

SECTION 16-6.1. All cross connection devices required under 16-5 shall be installed only by the persons who maintain either of the following certifications:

- 1. A State of Colorado plumbers certification; or
- 2. A certification by the manufacturer of the back flow prevention device to be installed within the City's system.

SECTION 2. That a new Section 16-6.2 is enacted as follows:

SECTION 16-6.2. It shall be a violation of Section 16-6..1 for any owner who authorizes or allows a cross-connection to be installed without that owner requiring verification of the certification credentials required by Section 16-6.1

SECTION 3. That a new Section 16-6.3 is enacted as follows:

SECTION 16-6.3. It shall be a violation of section 16-6.1 for any person to install or attempt to install a back flow prevention device without the proper certifications as required by Section 16-6.1.

SECTION 4. That this ordinance shall become effective on the $1^{\rm st}$ day of January, 2002.

ADOPTED on first reading this $11^{\rm th}$ day of DECEMBER , 2001.

PASSED on second reading this <u>8th</u> day of January, 2002

CITY OF LAS ANIMAS

William F. Howland, Mayor

ATTEST:

Charmaine Tripp, City Clerk

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